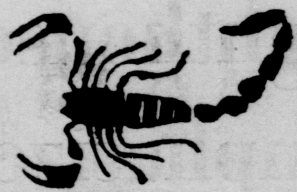


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THIS COMING SATURDAY, April 24, one of these sophomore girls will be crowned Bougainvillea Queen in ceremonies slated to begin at 8 p.m. The students trying for the title are (L to R) Nydia Martinez, Hilda Medrano and Alicia Champion. (Greenie Photo)

## Senate, Dean Pick Members Of Student Publications Board

By RICARDO RODRIGUEZ

The student members of TSC's new Board of Student Publications were approved by the Student Senate at its April 6 meeting. Student members John Haywood, Hector Hernandez, Danny Rock, and Jacquie Walton, will join faculty representatives chosen by the Dean of the College, Norma Beth Drake, Sylvia de la Garza,

Sam Grubbs, and Raymond W. McCrory. The Board will select the new editors of the Collegian and Scorpio, and will also decide if the 1971-72 Scorpio shall be hardback or magazine style.

Besides the student and faculty representatives, the Editors of each publication, Patti Alarcon of Scorpio and Jaime Vega of the Collegian,

and Edward Garcia, director of student activities, will also serve on the Board.

Hector Hernandez, student board member, said that if "the Board of Student Publication works efficiently, the results will be efficient and in the best interest of the student body." He also commented that "through the efforts of the Board, there will be a more knowledgeable, in the journalism aspect, and responsible staff for both publications."

Danny Rock, another student member, felt that the Collegian needs more school ideas and better distributing to the students of TSC.

The Board of Student Publications, approved by the Board of Trustees of Texas Southmost College, will have the responsibility of directing the operations of the existing and any future campus publications.

## Sullivan Selected For Research Grant

TSC biology teacher Rodney Sullivan has been selected by the biology and zoology Departments of the University of Texas at Austin to attend a ten week summer research program sponsored by the National science foundation.

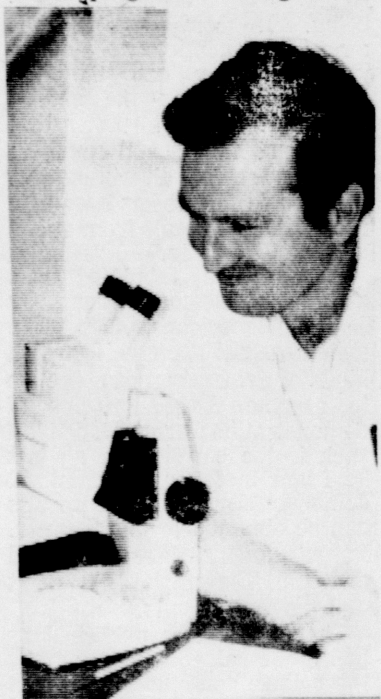
The program is designed for

junior college and college teachers who have little time during the school year for their own study and research. The course, which begins June 2, will be on the systematics of plant taxonomy and will be under the direction of Dr. Marshall C. Johnston, taxonomy professor at the University of Texas.

Mr. Sullivan will spend the first five weeks at Rancho del Cielo, the TSC biological research center. At the ranch, plant specimens will be collected and some will be classified. The remaining five weeks will be spent at the University of Texas where study will be done on the classifying of the specimens.

Sullivan said, "This program will benefit the ranch. At this point there has been little time to work with the plants, and animals, since building the ranch has been the main objective. This research will help orient us to the type of plants we have down there. Before any other program is started we must know what we have."

Sullivan was born in Lufkin, Texas and received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Sciences degrees from Stephen F. Austin state university at Nacogdoches. He taught biology at Lufkin High school for a year, and is now teaching biology for his second year at TSC.



RODNEY SULLIVAN, biology teacher, was awarded a research program grant to study plants at the Rancho Del Cielo and at the University of Texas this summer. (Greenie Photo)

## Spring Events

### Bougainvillea, Arts, Splash Day On Tap

By ARMANDO AGUIRRE

Bougainvillea, Fine Arts Week and Splash Day will highlight the next two eventful weeks for Texas Southmost College students.

The annual Bougainvillea Dance for all Valley high school seniors will be Saturday, April 24, at the Civic Center. The Pan-American Stage Band from Edinburg will provide the music from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m.

Fine Arts Week comprises events scheduled from April 26 to April 30 under the sponsorship of the newly formed Fine Arts Council, and Splash Day falls on April 29.

Bougainvillea Dance will be climaxed by the announcement and crowning of the queen. The three candidates for Bougainvillea queen are Nydia Martinez, Hilda Medrano, and Alicia Champion. The other members of the court include from the freshman class, Carlos Villarreal, most handsome; Diana Liendo, most beautiful; Ben Gomez, most popular boy; Jan Mullen, most popular girl; Steve Fuentes, best all-around boy; Estella Garcia and Blanca Zamora, best all-around girls; Jacquie Walton and Jacquie Everett, Bougainvillea representatives.

Sophomore class representatives include Martin Kingsbury, most handsome; Nydia Martinez, most beautiful;

Oscar Zepeda, most popular boy; Norma Kingsbury, most popular girl; Patrick Bly, best all-around boy; Mary Flores, best all-around girl.

Overall director for Bougainvillea is Helen A. Wilson of the English department who is coordinating the project along with other members of the faculty and the Student Senate. Phi Theta Kappa and Senate members have mailed invitations to all the seniors in the fourteen Valley high schools.

Splash Day will include club and group competition for various awards and prizes. Events scheduled include a fire-bell race and a bed race. The former contest will pit club teams in trying to fill up a barrel with sea water. The latter will have a group of boys carrying a girl on a cot through an obstacle course, testing not only the boys speed and endurance but also the girl's ability to stay on the bed.

Other events include volleyball, sack races and a tug-of-war. A pie-eating contest will close the competition.

Points will be given to each club or group for each event according to how they place. An award will be presented to the winning club. Newman won this honor last year, but it will face stiff competition to repeat as winner this year from the other clubs on campus.

## City-College Librarian Closing Ill-Timed

By JAIME I. VEGA  
Editor

Amid the advancing research paper deadlines and other semester term projects, the Easter vacations provided a welcomed opportunity for TSC students to complete their work and get it out of the way before the final homestretch—unless, of course, the student had to make use of the library. It was closed.

The City-College Library was closed April 8 through 14.

Librarian Anthony Valdez stated that the library was following the schedule as outlined in the student handbook. "We had nothing to do with deciding what days the library would be opened or closed," he stated. "This was decided last year when the administration figured out the calendar for this academic year."

Nonetheless, the pressure on students to complete their semester work does increase because they are unable to use the research and studying facilities which the college and city jointly provide. What about the citizens and high school students from the rest of the community who need to come use the library? In deciding the schedule for the library the administration should have taken this into account.

President William H. Walton

indicated that he is seriously considering changes for next year. "It has been brought to my attention that we need to reevaluate our schedule for next year and if at all possible find some alternatives so that our facilities remain open to the community and especially students who need to make use of the facilities during holidays," he stated.

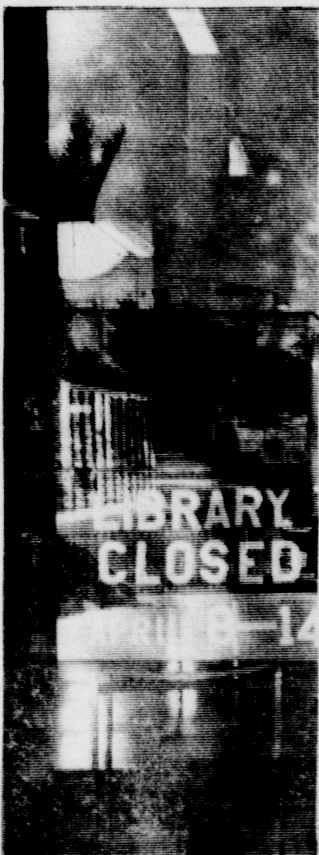
City Manager Kirby Lilljedahl indicated that he was unaware that the library was closed but stated that he would bring up the topic during a meeting with college officials scheduled for later this week.

Dr. Walton noted that the library staff are considered regular faculty members and that they justifiably would be entitled to get their Easter vacations also. However, he stated, something will have to be done for next year.

"Making our library a joint city-college project does have its good advantages but it also creates some problems," noted the president.

Hopefully, the reevaluation of the college calendar allows for a more reasonable library schedule for college students and for the rest of the citizens, and high school students, who pay the city to provide them with a library facility.

Hay Veremos!







"TWELFTH NIGHT," by William Shakespeare, is one of the major activities of Fine Arts Week. Members of the Cast are shown above discussing one of the more serious scenes of the play. They are Pam Hughston, Cipriano Martinez, Ronald Fullen, and Joe Hinojosa, standing, Larry Birch and Joe Phipps on the bench, and Bill Terry sitting below.

## College Self Study Conducted For Accreditation Committee

To maintain its accreditation, Texas Southmost College will be visited by an examination committee of the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges May 4-7.

The visitation committee of the Southern Association will try to determine whether TSC has continued to meet its standards since the last examination in 1961. Committee members will talk to students, teachers and administrators in an effort to understand how the college community feels toward TSC. If the visitation committee decides that the standards necessary for accreditation are being maintained, TSC will retain its accreditation, which guarantees that academic hours acquired at TSC will transfer to any college that is a member of the Southern Association.

For the committee's visit, an Institutional Self Study of the college has been conducted and has been in progress since 1969. Under the direction of Bonnie Whitworth, a steering committee organized the study to review all aspects of the College, discover its weaknesses, and recommend effective and realistic solutions.

The Institutional Self Study's findings are recorded in a report compiled for Southern Association by nine faculty committees.

The committees offered several recommendations for improving TSC. Among these was the suggestion that TSC remain a junior college until the College District's population approaches 250,000. The reason for this suggestion was that this area needs a community college that will provide services that would be impossible for a four-

year institution. These services include making up for learning deficiencies not eliminated in high school, combating language problems and generally helping student cope with adjustment problems on a personal level.

The Educational Standards Committee recommended that the grade "F" be replaced with "incomplete," and that "students who drop a course be allowed to continue in class as long as space is available." These recommendations were made in response to the problem of high failure percentages among TSC students. According to the Institutional Self Study's findings, almost twice as many failures as "A" grades occurred in the 1969-70 academic year.

A review of the city-college library revealed that it is one of the College's chief weak points. It was recommended that the library receive an annual budget of \$51,000 through the next ten years for books, periodicals and binding. It was also suggested that the library add a second story in order to continue meeting its responsibilities as the "learning resources center" of an expanding community. It was also recommended that the library be kept open for longer hours, including eight hours on Sunday.

The findings of the self study and of the Southern Association

committee will determine TSC's accreditation and the College's effectiveness in relation to other schools of South Texas.

## Students Get FCC Permits

On March 4, Joseph Green, electronics instructor, and his Electronics Technology 263 class took their Federal Communications Commission (FCC) license exams at Corpus Christi.

Green and the following students received licenses: Eleazer Cortez, Alfredo Garcia, Johnny C. Gonzalez, Juan Guerrero, Victor Leos, and Elohim Serrano. Holders of third class permits can operate communication equipment and other electrical systems.

April 25-May 1

## Pop Festival Ends Fine Arts Week

Shakespeare, films, and rock music will help to make April 25-May 1 a very busy time at TSC as the newly-formed Fine Arts Council puts on its first project, Fine Arts Week.

Events representing each of the fine arts—music, drama, sculpture, dance, literature, and art—are scheduled for each day of the week.

On Monday, April 25, students will hang their own paintings in the Student Center all-purpose room, where they will remain on exhibit throughout the week. Some students plan to sell their paintings.

A poetry contest is scheduled for April 26 at 11:00 in the Student Center. The competition will be divided into three categories. The first is the ballad division in which entries will sing original ballads. Judging will be on the basis of originality and expression. The second division is the reading of original poetry. Poems will be judged according to effective use of symbolism, rhythm and other elements of poetry. Poetry interpretation of others' works is the third division. Prizes will be awarded for the best poem from each category.

A film festival is planned for Wednesday, April 27. Organized by Norma E. Drake, drama instructor, the film festival will be presented in the library conference room from 11:00-2:00. Several students have made and submitted films. One, a film by Jav Velarde, chairman of the Fine Arts Council,

is an allegory about the degeneration of society. Students from Valley High Schools are invited to submit films to be shown at the festival.

On Thursday, Splash Day, a sand sculpture contest will be held at the beach at 3:00. Entries ranging from sand castles to sand men will be accepted. There will be two divisions, individual and group entries.

Later in the day, the first performance of "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, will be staged at the fountain in front of the Student Center by members of the Curtain Callers.

Dance will be represented on Friday in the Student Center, when the dance team will perform several numbers. The second performance of "Twelfth Night" is scheduled to occur at the fountain in the evening.

A rock festival will be held on Saturday, May 1. Several bands have already agreed to play at the Student Center from 2:00 to 5:30. During the rest of the day, the winning poems will be read, the dance team will perform in the Student Center, and the film festival will be reshowed. The third performance of "Twelfth Night" will draw Fine Arts Week to a close.

Material for the events—poems, films, and paintings—must be registered with either Velarde or one of the fine arts department instructors as soon as possible.

## Board Elections 'Eye-Opener' For Idealistic Campaigners

By MARY LOU GONZALEZ AND OSCAR ZEPEDA

The outcome of the recent school board elections aroused strong feelings among young people who took part in the campaigns. Generally, they regarded their participation as a valuable experience because it helped them to see the political realities of an election.

This year, more young people than ever before took part in the election. Three of the candidates are directly associated with the College (Albert Besteiro and Robert Shaw are instructors while Anthony Valdez is the head librarian), and this had much to do with an increased awareness of the elections among TSC students. Also, since it was an election for the school board, whose policies recently affected many TSC students just out of public schools, they understood the necessity of supporting competent, qualified candidates. The imminent 18 year old vote, too, has made students more aware of current political activities such as school board election.

House-to-house leafletting, attending vote-getting rallies, explaining candidates' platforms to potential voters, and driving people to the polling places were some of the functions that students performed. Shaw commented, "I could never have pulled the votes I did without students' help."

Besteiro stated, "many of the students I have been in contact with through teaching for the last 15 years supported me, and these were meaningful votes."

Students' reactions to the election results varied from disillusionment to satisfaction.

TSC student Horacio Barrera said, "It's a shame that a person can't get elected simply because he's right for the job, that he has to commit himself to certain influential groups rather than to the general public in order to run an effective campaign."

Dan Hawkins, who worked for Joe Wallace Garcia and Shaw, was among the corps of young people that took part in campaigns. He summarized his reaction to the election outcome thus: "It was an unexpected learning process. Ideals clashed with the ugly realities of the political process."

For the future, Hawkins said that "in order to succeed, ideals

would have to take a back seat to political realities. In running a campaign, we will first have to consider what it takes to get a candidate elected in Brownsville, rather than depending solely on the fact that our candidate is qualified for the job and that you've told people about it."

Most students are optimistic about future elections, but feel that, to be effective, campaigns will have to be run within Brownsville's unique political machine. The upcoming municipal and the College Board of Trustees elections are already looked forward to as opportunities for significant changes.



POLITICALLY-MINDED STUDENTS took part in the school board elections. Participation ranged from displaying bumper stickers on cars and books, like Freshman Patti Alarcon, above, to attending vote-getting rallies, house-to-house leafletting, and otherwise actively supporting causes.

## Band Contest Occurs Tonite

The Battle of the Bands will take place tonight at the TSC gym as Valley music groups compete for recognition as the Best Valley Band.

Sponsored by the Mid Management Club, the dance will take place from 8:00-12:00. Admission is \$1.00.



## 'Mural Briefs

# Winners Determined In Weight Lifting Test

### WEIGHT LIFTING

Henry Lee, Daniel Reyna, Ernesto Gamez, Mark Millar, Ben Garza, and Eleazar Cortez were the winners of the weight lifting contest held two weeks ago. There were six weight divisions and scoring was determined by the total pounds lifted on the bench press, clean-and-jerk, and the dead lift. Here are the results:

#### DIVISION I (0-129½ lbs.)

1. Henry Lee 440 lbs.

#### DIVISION II (130-144½ lbs.)

1. Daniel Reyna 645 lbs.

2. Joe Solis 560 lbs.

3. Martin Kingsbury 555 lbs.

#### DIVISION III (145-159½ lbs.)

1. Ernesto Gamez 740 lbs.

2. (tie) Paul Longoria 670 lbs.  
Charlie Hernandez 670 lbs.

#### DIVISION IV (160-174½ lbs.)

1. Mark Millar 670 lbs.

2. Danny Salinas 660 lbs.

#### DIVISION V (175-189½ lbs.)

1. Ben Garza 630 lbs.

#### DIVISION VI (190-over lbs.)

1. Eleazar Cortez 835 lbs.

2. Pedro Benavidez 810 lbs.

### BADMINTON

Coach Lemons announced that a Texas Southmost Open Badminton Tournament will get underway here on either April 24 or May 8. There will be two divisions, an open division and a college division. Players from all over the state will be participating in the tourney. Lemons expects players from Dallas-Ft. Worth, Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Corpus Christi, Robstown, Beeville, and the Valley, to play in the tournament.

### ARCHERY

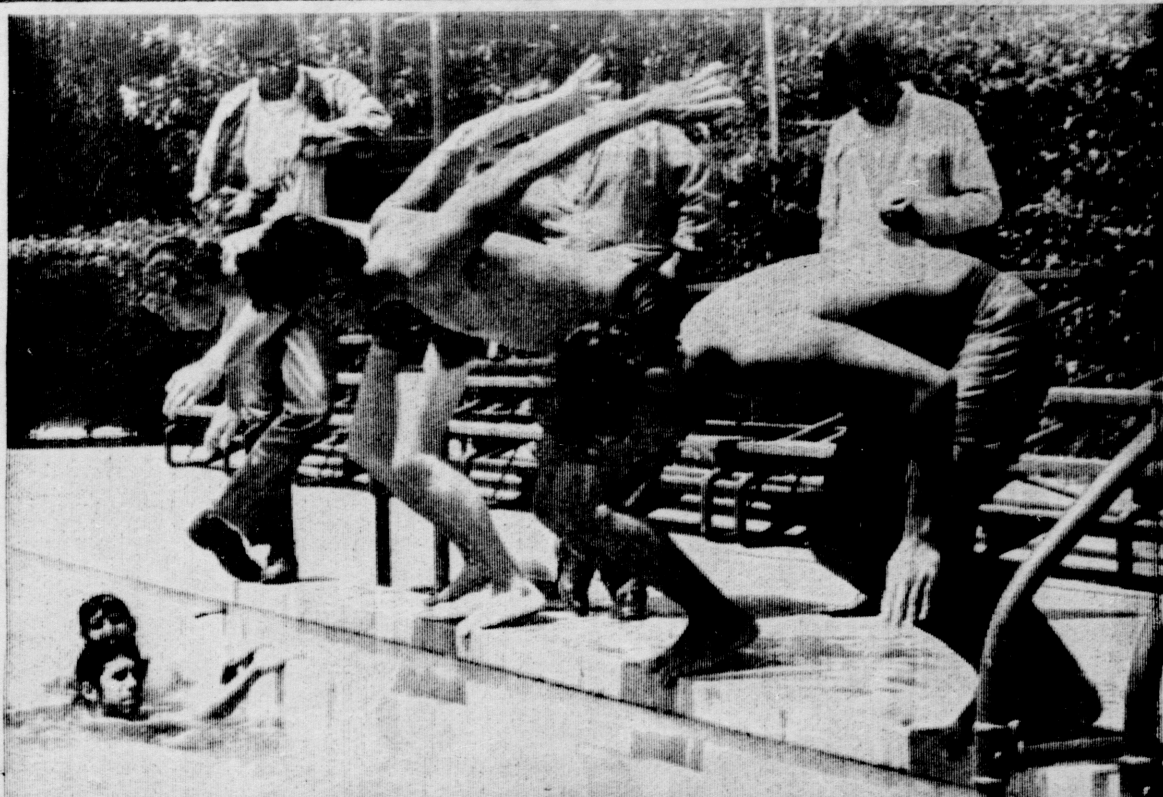
Winners of the TSC Archery Tournament were as follows: in the Women's division, first place went to Berta Ortiz; Second and third places went to Leticia Guzman and Yolanda Hall. In the Men's division, Hector Silva captured first place. The runner-up spot was awarded to Raul Garza, and he was followed by Albino Carrasco, Pat Bly and Alfredo Villarreal.

### BASKETBALL

The Tarantulas, TSC's Intramural basketball champs, traveled to Victoria on April 3 to play in an intramural tournament against winners of other areas. They lost a heart-breaker to Bee County JC by 47-42. Bee County went on to capture the championship. In the Consolation game, they lost out to Del Mar by 71-65.

### SOFTBALL

A softball tournament for men will be held next week beginning on April 20. So far, three teams have signed up, but Lemons said that he expects many more teams to enter before the deadline, which is April 19. Winners of the tournament might represent TSC in San Antonio or Victoria, but nothing is definite, Lemons said.



ON OUR MARKS — With their eyes glued to the water and the tenseness showing on their faces, Danny Page, Manuel "Nino" Zamora, and Armando "Rango" Aguirre (L to R), wait for the "go" signal to start them on the underwater race, which covered the width of the pool. Danny Page out-raced his two opponents to win. (Greenie Photo)

# Swimming Intramurals Finish Swimmers Ready For Del Mar.

Swimming and diving was the order of the day at the Fort Brown Swimming Pool, as Texas Southmost College held its swimming and diving intramurals on April 6. There was a poor turnout of swimmers, since no women swimmers were present and few male swimmers competed.

Not all the events scheduled took place due to the lack of participants. Since not many swimmers appeared, some of the events scheduled were cut or shortened. Each event had a maximum of two heats, except for some events which were won in one heat.

Even though there was a lack of swimmers, spirits were up and competition was tough for those who were there. The meet had two heats in the 50 yd. freestyle, one heat in the 25 yd. backstroke, one heat in the 25 yd. breaststroke, one heat in the 100 yd. freestyle relay, and an underwater race, which replaced the 50 yd. butterfly. Each first place of the swimming intramurals was awarded a trophy.

Winners of each event are qualified to compete against Del Mar Jr. College in a swim meet. Texas Southmost College swimmers will match their talents against the swimmers from Del Mar Jr.

College of Corpus Christi Texas on April 23. The swim meet marks the third meeting of the two schools.

Texas Southmost College swimmers will defend a streak of victories, maintained against Del Mar.

Winners of each event:

50 yd. freestyle - Gary Hahn

25 yd. breaststroke — Paul Longoria

25 yd. backstroke — Richard Parker

Under water race — Danny Page

100 yd. freestyle relay - Ralph Zamora Pat Bly, Danny Page, Paul Longoria.

Diving winners Richard Parker and Pat Bly

## WP Deadline Set April 30

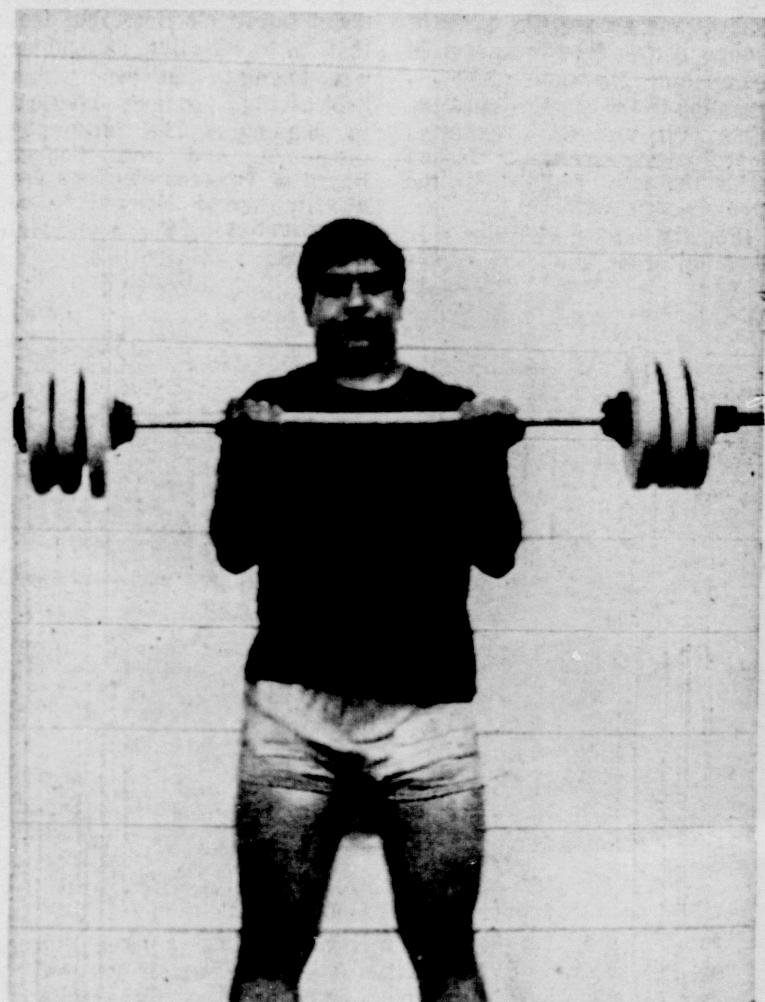
The last day to drop a course with either a WP (withdrew passing) or a WF (withdrew failing) is April 30. Credit is not given for a WP or WF.

Courses could be dropped with a W without appearing on the student's record, until March 25.

## Bowling Contest Planned For Sat.

Coach Jim Lemmons announced that there will be a mixed bowling tournament tomorrow at the International Bowling Lanes. Teams will be composed of any 3 and 2 combination of males and females. Lemmons said that he expects about 10 teams to be entered in the tournament, possibly more.

Entry fee for the event will be \$1.50 for three games, with the shoes being free. There will be no sort of handicap given to any team; winners will be determined by the combined scores of all three games.



ELEAZAR "PATCH" CORTEZ, winner of the weight lifting contest, is caught in the middle of his daily workout. (Photo by: Cortez)

## In School Jungle

# Pro Student Plays The Game

The student walks confidently to his next class. In the tile and blackboard jungle of lectures and text books, he is an adept species of genius quietly and unassumingly taking assignments, ideas and challenges in stride. He is a professional student.

The jungle is dull lectures, research papers, homework assignments and class discussions — a area for intellectual combat. The ecology of the Jungle is contingent on the arguments of hypothetical theories played against a reality of seating arrangement and teacher biases.

The survival of the fittest is a looming reality every Monday through Friday. Each class represents a confrontation. As the second bell rings the machine of mind and body go on full-alert. As a spray of chalk dust impresses upon the blackboard allusions, theorems, analysis or any number and combination of perplexities, the learning process is triggered.

The dark chemistry of thought inputs, sorts, rationalizes and then stores the data within the chambers of memory in a split-second. With relative ease the individual can reverse the process and spew forth supplementary or seemingly conflicting data. The phenomena of thought, a blend of curiosity, inspiration, and Ribonucleic acid, somehow emerges to create something.

The on-going process of thought simultaneously evaluates the academic situation and constantly revises angles and positions. The total picture of names, personalities, influences, and arguments jell into a transforming image which also yields how any one argument can effect desirable change in that picture.

Each play is calculated in terms of metamorphosis, phonetic symbols, square-root formulas, basic chemical elements, catharsis, quadratic formula, and overhead production costs. It takes a gifted hand to receive the ideas and tuck them away. It takes fancy footwork to evade the questions one doesn't know. The pro knows the game only too well. Like an agile athlete, the student darts and catches ideas and concepts.

Specialization is a necessity in the Jungle. Each pro has within himself an arsenal. Whether it be in verbal glibness, patience, perseverance, writing research papers, or wit, each pro possesses one or two outstanding qualities.

Overall knowledge is a prerequisite for the scholar. The mind must have within its reach an index of depth and breadth; universal fold, communism, arrow trajectory, Beowulf, infra-red light, D-76, Elizabethan Drama, typesetters, gross national product, area code, symbiosis, county government, democracy, space-time continuum, 18th century

drama. Among other things.

Just like the athlete the professional student is always trying to extend the limits of his genius.

Each semester represents the re-enactment of another war. Amid the demand for high standards of college, many students equate mere survival with excellence. The mortality rate among students cuts deep into the ranks of the mediocre and the occasional gifted individual with the wrong set of tools. The professional student has overcome this.

Finally, the professional student has his medals and recognitions. Honorary societies, honor rolls, scholarships, and awards are a few of the many distinctions bestowed upon the all-pro. The real and truly great tribute of these academic marvels, however, is their personal self-confidence as men within their own right. The jungle outside the Jungle is geared to a different vibration which in many ways resembles the campus.

As the pro walks down the corridors of our campus, within the cloistered halls of learning or the budding structures of new buildings, the sun shines a little brighter. He understands the nature of light, the processes that undergo deep in the heart of the sun, and the role of photosynthesis that maintain life on earth and that give his body nourishment and his mind.

"And now for today's assignment...."



# Lighthouse Incident Emphasizes Schism

BY JAIME I. VEGA

And, incidentally, the problem is still with us.

This is perhaps the ultimate in editorial punctuation marks graciously and sarcastically bestowed upon the multitude of the somewhat lacking efforts designed to change the society. Inevitably, the projected processes of revamping social norms and mores sink into the stagnation of convention, social inertia and that showcase of civilization, tradition.

In the last issue of the *Collegian* (March 19, 1971) we ran an article headlined, "Lighthouse Lights Up Valley," which included an incident regarding the San Benito Police Department and a member of Lighthouse Power & Light Company. The incident very graphically relates the schism of attitudes toward innovation and between the generations.

Perhaps some readers interpreted the incident to mean that Larry Burch, the member who was "taken from the place of the dance to the police station against his own volition" (definition of arrest), was to blame for being arrested in light of his actions. It should be made clear that his detainment was more a means of harassment on the part of the police department and the school system, than the result of actual misbehavior.

Upon a careful review of the San Benito affair one is apt to believe that the crisp, fresh attitudes of post war 1945 rural America somewhat appear withered beneath the inroads of 1971-today. It appears that pretty covers make for pretty books and that the "give-me-the-keys-Buford" type of attitude is alive and well, and

flourishing in the San Benito Police Department.

Law and order takes mandate from the people and, in this case, from the public school hierarchy in righteous coalition with the Police Department itself. These potentates of goodness decided that the youth at a San Benito school dance were being stirred a shade too much by the phenomena of a lightbulb flashing to the beat of the music. The legendary stray, that has broken many a camel's back to date were the "unpatriotic" slides shown by the lighthouse group. As every good, card-carrying American knows this is a no-no. Instead of having the young minds polluted by such thoughts the men in blue opened the doors, disrupted the lightshow, and detained Larry when he asked them to close the doors. "Degrading the public image of an officer of the law" was the reason cited.

After all, the world is all mesquite trees and asphalt.

And all because of Genesis Chapter II Verse 3, modern electronic technology, and three long-haired businessmen who offer as their wares colored lights and a sense of "today" to music. Thou shalt not reject the beauty of strobe lights capriciously for light in all its hues and aspects is the first and an integral part of God's creation.

Fortunately, the people in Brownsville and other communities of south Texas have been a little more receptive to the idea of lightshow. However, attitudes regarding change are harbored deep in the crevices of social structure and this problem of niggardly attitudes, incidentally, is still with us.

Hay Veremos!

## Editor's Reply:

## 'Criticism Healthy'

In response to the letters from Patricia Alarcon and Adalberto Sierra, Jr., your criticism of the article headlined "Survey Shows Chicano Students Feel Little Discrimination" are to some extent justified and valid.

From the standpoint of good journalism the article was badly presented to a reader-audience of college students who expect a more substantial presentation of facts and evidence. I would have to strongly disagree with the comment attributed by the authors to Edward H. Garcia, student activities director and *Collegian* newspaper sponsor, to the effect that the survey "... was a step toward finding out what students feel about the controversial issue of discrimination of Mexican-students to express their views.

Americans." In effect the article was a step backwards through the badly worded statements, inconsistent surveying techniques, and if that wasn't enough, the second-hand tabulations presented to the readers as fact.

The campus paper has been trying to give the page editors a more direct role in the stories and artwork which fill their pages. This in turn places more responsibility with the four page editors which previously belonged to the editor. However, part of being a journalist is learning to accept and evaluate criticism. The process of reader-journalist dialogue is a healthy sign of the paper's credibility and we encourage

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# Johnson Exposes Pigeon Plot

BY SANDRA TREVINO

Many of the world's problems have been identified and widely publicized—pollution, disease, famine, overpopulation, war—but, according to Vaino Johnson of the TSC English department, perhaps the most insidious and dangerous has been largely unnoticed—pigeons.

For years Johnson has been virtually alone in his distrust of the innocent-looking feathered fowl who, he says, are on their way to taking over the world. His interest in them has led him to collecting newspaper and magazine clippings documenting his suspicions.

"I used to have more in my files," he says, "but I can't seem to find them. I think the pigeons are after me." The clippings include articles from Paris, New Orleans, Fairhaven, and a World Almanac.

Johnson does not mince words about pigeons: "I am totally annoyed by them. All they do is carry disease and dirty up things."

He says they are just like rats, eating only what is furnished by humanity and that

a pigeon's life consists of only eating and breeding. When asked what he felt should be

done, he answered immediately. "Exterminate them."

The World Almanac states that pigeons have been fighting man for possession of the streets for as long as anyone can remember. Johnson feels that people should be educated about the problem so that they can see the danger and fight it.

Johnson told of a news story he read a while back of an opera singer in Buenos Aires. According to the story, during a performance the singer suddenly began choking violently and nearly died. When he was examined later, the cause of his near-death was found to be a pigeon feather which had dropped into his open mouth.

Johnson's comment: "See—they're already taking over."

His advice the next time you are confronted by one of those harmless-looking, filthy birds is to examine him thoroughly, but not to say anything important that the pigeon might overhear. Vaino Johnson never does.

"They're all spies, waiting for the chance to invade."



HEADQUARTERS for the Pigeon Conspiracy is on top of the City-College Library. Here the changing of the guard was caught by one of our photographers (Greenie photo)

## Letters To The Editor

## "there exist many fallacies"

Editor:

In response to the "survey" results tabulated and interpreted by Miss Mary Lou Gonzalez and Mr. Johnny Gonzalez (also aided by the most able Ed Garcia), which appeared in the March 19th issue of the *Collegian*, there exist many fallacies which I wish to cite. Primarily, the entire survey was littered with loopholes. Secondly, the manner in which the results were determined was totally unprofessional (you two call yourselves contributing staff writers?).

I was given a questionnaire in my sociology class to answer and I found the questions to be not only stereotype in nature but ambiguous. For example, one question asked was how most Mexican-Americans wished to be referred to as, (Mex-Am, or Chicanos, or Americans). How does any one person know exactly how most Mexican-Americans feel on this subject unless there has been a legitimate poll taken throughout the country to arrive at a definite conclusion. Therefore, the question cannot be accurately answered with an agree or disagree...

What beneficial results can a survey produce with ambiguous questions? There is neither a black nor white response but one that is a conglomeration of all colors of thought. To dwell on the aspect of the obscurity of the survey would not make the "survey" less obscure; therefore, it is my opinion that the questionnaire, as written, was a total and complete disaster...

To begin with, the attention-grabbing headline in itself was a big joke! The headline, "Survey Shows Chicano Students Feel Little Discrimination", was very misleading. At first glance one imagined that the survey directed itself toward the typical Mexican-American reaction to discrimination; whereas in reality, this conclusion was not the case at all. The survey did not represent what the Mexican-American students really felt because the forms were handed out to all the students in the designated classes, non-Mexican-American students included.

It is not possible to give an exact tabulation when the non-Mexican-American responses

could very well have counterbalanced the Mexican-American answers. Again, it is not likely for an Anglo, for example to answer exactly as would a Mexican-American because he has not experienced the same situations...

Another note which should be mentioned is the reason given by the writers as to why students answered "no opinion". As stated in the article, "they either had not thought about it or they were unwilling to express a definite view", the writers portrayed the student answering the questionnaire as a shallow apathetic and non-committing individual. Of course it never entered their minds that perhaps their questions were so vague that it was impossible to state a definite view to the questions as they were stated. I hope the

writers realize now that not everyone's thoughts are either black or white or two definite shades of gray.

Finally, there was the lack of exact figures or percentages for the responses. It is not too important, now, to say there should have been figures because the survey was neither factual nor truthful in its outcome. However, had the survey been more valid, it would have been factually appropriate and professional to indicate exactly how the Mexican-Americans felt by stating their responses in statistics instead of giving the reader a biased second-hand account.

Did the "survey" really represent a true and accurate account of how TSC Mexican-American students feel about discrimination? I think not!

Patricia Alarcon

## 'has economic roots'

Editor:

I write in reference to the article on the "Chicano" survey which appeared in the last issue of the *Collegian*. I feel that the people who conducted the survey should be complimented for their intentions; however, I believe that the survey results were, in some instance, ambiguous and quite contradictory.

The survey supposedly showed "that discrimination is not present in Brownsville". How can this conclusion be reached when many of the students expressed no opinion? According to the paper, many students had not thought about it or they did not express a definite opinion. The conclusion reached by the survey is an obvious contradiction to the facts.

The students queried felt that there were equal economic and social opportunities for both ethnic groups in Brownsville. They added that no social discrimination existed against Mexican-Americans. I disagree with both contentions.

Equal opportunity is an ideal that we possess. Reality has it that opportunity is unequal. Most Mexican-Americans in the locality work at low-paying jobs. There are not too many "Chicanos" who would qualify as business executives. The best neighborhoods are occupied largely by Anglos. Why? Simply

because they have the economic means to do so. This fact indicates that one group is getting a bigger share than the other. That they are getting a bigger share asserts that an economic differential exists.

Social prominence usually stems from economic well-being. If Mexican-Americans are economically disadvantaged, how can they be equal socially as the survey indicated? It is my opinion that we do not have social equality; there is social discrimination. I must add that it has economic roots; it does result from racial differences per se.

The opinion tabulated was against demonstrations by Mexican-Americans.

The statement did not specify which kinds of demonstrations are we to assume that all forms of demonstrations are included? If such is the case, I am against it. I am in favor of organized demonstrations. Positive results can be obtained in this manner. Large unions are a good example. They make their point and they get results.

The survey was published as being factual, at least among the college community. I do not feel that it was presented properly, especially when its verity is quite questionable. Closer attention should be paid to such matters. Thank you.

Respectfully,  
Beto Sierra, Jr.



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## New Vote May Affect Election Results

BY MONA GONZALEZ

18, 19, and 20 year olds will vote for the first time in Brownsville's history Tuesday in the municipal elections. The question now is: Will these 18 to 20 year old voters determine the outcome of the elections?

According to Horacio Barrera, Student Senate President, more than 500 students registered at the College last month to vote November 2. This bloc of voters could become the decisive factor in this election, as they have in elections throughout the United States. In the municipal elections of 1969, a runoff held between incumbent Mayor Tony Gonzalez and George Saenz resulted in Gonzalez's victory by a 113-vote margin. Had suffrage for 18 to 20 year olds existed then, either Saenz would have won or Gonzalez would have won by a greater margin.

The majority of today's 18 to 20 year olds are politically aware in national and city government. Having taken

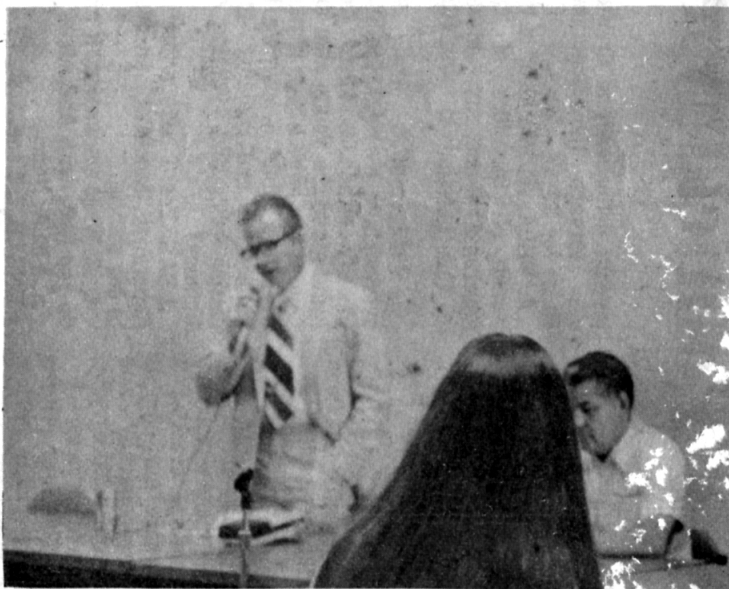
government courses in school and having been exposed to national, state, and local elections, most individuals who will vote on Nov. 2, realize that the most effective way for masses to bring about change is through voting. By carefully examining candidates platforms and characters at political forums sponsored by civic and college organizations, the 18 to 20 year old will cast a vote supported by the information needed to make an intelligent decision.

Candidates, unsure of the influence new voters will have, and citizens observant of whether or not they will display the initiative to vote, are anxiously awaiting the elections.

For young people, future opportunities to voice their opinions and express their view will be greatly determined by this election. If young people display enthusiasm and interest vital in making a wise selection

of candidates, their right to vote will be recognized and respected. If, however, 18 to 20 year olds do not take advantage

of their new privilege now, they cannot expect to be considered responsible and mature citizens in the future.



DR. EARLE GRIFFEY, candidate for mayor, is present for a political forum at the Newman Center Oct. 19.

## Diverse Commission Can Represent City

By MARY LOU GONZALEZ

One of the most important factors voters must consider Nov. 2 is whether the elected city commission will represent all of Brownsville, rather than only segments of the city. Ideally, affluent areas such as Rio Viejo and Los Ebanos, and the poorer areas, such as Southmost and La Moraya should be represented with the same

concern. Likewise, the businessmen, the white-collar workers, and the manual laborers must be represented with the same attitudes.

The representation of the areas and of the different economical classes in Brownsville depends to a large extent on the commissioners' views and on their characters. A commissioner who shelves some

problems because he sees them as less important, from his position, or because less pressure to develop a solution is applied by his associates, will obviously not represent the more passive areas and the less influential groups of people.

Perhaps it is not necessary that a commissioner be a member of a particular social class, or that he (or she) live

in a certain area of Brownsville. What is important is that the elected candidate has an open mind sensitive to all of the citizens of Brownsville and to the problems that affect each of them.

Brownsville is a diverse community. What it needs is a city commission as diverse as its people.

## League Of Women Voters Admits 18-20 Year Olds

The League of Women Voters has lowered its membership age requirement to include all women citizens who are 18 to 20. The League is a non-partisan organization on local, state and national levels that encourages all citizens to become informed and active in government and politics.

Their work is divided into voter's service and League Program. Voter's service involves the circulation of non-partisan information on can-

didates and issues; campaigns to encourage registration and voting; candidates meetings; courses in practical politics; and field trips to city halls and state legislatures. League Program includes governmental issues selected by members for study, decision and action on all three levels.

As part of the local voter's service, the League of Women Voters of Brownsville will assist the Brownsville Jaycees in a political forum for municipal

candidates on Oct. 28 at 8:00 p.m. at Stillman Hall. They have also been distributing information on the city candidates running for office in Brownsville.

The local program of the Brownsville League is concerned with the revision of the city charter and improvement of health conditions with emphasis on tuberculosis and rabies in Brownsville.

Among the issues of the Texas State Program are the revision

of the Texas State Constitution, improvement of procedures for voters in Texas, environment quality, and support of measures to combat poverty and discrimination.

The League of Women Voters came into being the year women's suffrage was amended in the Constitution. It developed from the National American Woman Suffrage Association which lead the drive that eventually got women the right to vote.



# Candidates Express Political Views

(Editor's Note: The following questions were asked of each of the city election candidates in an effort to impartially communicate their views to College students. All of the candidates except Ernesto Zamora, who is running for commissioner is post two answered the questions submitted to them.)

## Saenz Plans Development Of Southmost

**Q. 1. What will your first priorities be if you are elected?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** To continue in my efforts toward charter amendments and toward providing for future power and water requirements.

**SAENZ.** Extend utilities to areas that have been neglected for as much as ten years, mainly in the southmost area of Southmost.

Another priority would be to include the city employees under civil service. Another priority would be to seek more industry to provide more employment for our citizens.

**BESTEIRO.** The first priority if elected is to be sworn in.

**Q. 2. Do you feel that city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem in Brownsville?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** Yes, if we don't take this responsibility, who else will?

**SAENZ.** Yes, I feel the city government has a responsibility to help solve unemployment in the community.

**BESTEIRO.** Yes, I feel that the city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem.

**Q. 3. Do you feel that the city commission's annual commitment to the Zoo is appropriate, considering the city's financial condition?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** Yes, we should derive much more from the Zoo than we ever put into it and work to make it self supporting once under full operation.

**SAENZ.** The last city financial report as given to the public through the printed news media indicated that the city is operating in the black.

here to stay. It would be foolish for anyone to attempt to close or impede the contribution that has been made to our city. As long as the annual commitment does not hurt the citizens nor the services needed to be provided, I think that this time the annual commitment is enough, but expenses at the zoo should be carefully observed.

**BESTEIRO.** As far as the city's financial commitment to the Zoo is concerned, the Zoo belongs to the City of Brownsville now. If the paid admissions figures in the first few weeks of operation are any indication of what's in the future, I personally feel the Zoo will pay for itself.

I view the Zoo as a new industry for Brownsville that has treated a new source of revenue and jobs. So far it is a minus to the taxpayers.

**Q. 4. A family of four in Brownsville must earn no more than \$185 monthly (\$2,220 annually) to qualify for health care at the City County Clinic. Do you feel that families of 4 who earn up to \$5,000 a year, and who consequently find it difficult to pay for dentists, obstetricians, pediatricians, hospitalization, etc., should qualify for health care in Brownsville?**

**GRIFFEY.** The standards at present are being revised towards making more people eligible.

**SAENZ.** No, I believe that if a family of four has had major

illness in the family for a long period of time, they should be considered for clinic services. But, here again, each case should be considered separately, with guidelines brought about by a careful study. I am for helping those that need the help and for helping them with as much as needed, but I am not for a blanket coverage for everybody.

**BESTEIRO.** In regards to salary requirements that must be met in order to qualify for health care, I think there has been misunderstanding and misinterpretation on setting a minimum salary for this aid. Salary requirements were set for those poor souls who cannot pull themselves above this salary range for many reasons—possibly mental or physical reasons. I think each case should be investigated and determined on its own merit. Some families find it easier to manage on a small salary than others because the circumstances can be different for each.

**Q. 5. Should more money be allotted to the City-County Clinic from the city budget?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** Yes, as the need arises.

**SAENZ.** The first major step in the city-county clinic is to get an adequate building for it. An increase in its services rendered may indicate more money from the city budget or other sources.

**BESTEIRO.** At present, the city budgets the clinic's funds according to their past and future needs. The clinic presents a proposed budget which is approved by the City. This has worked out in the past and I see no reason for a change.

**Q. 6. The Texas Criminal Justice Department is ready to fund Esperanza Home For Boys, a program designed to help and counsel delinquent boys, with \$70,000, but 25 percent of the Home's total operating expenses must come from local sources. About \$10,000 - \$12,000 must come from city government or school board. Do you feel that city government should combat juvenile delinquency in Brownsville through the Esperanza Home for Boys?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** I think that this is an excellent program and will make a great deal of difference in our juvenile program.

**SAENZ.** A duplication of efforts to combat Juvenile Delinquency is costly. There are many programs that combat juvenile delinquency in Brownsville.

**BESTEIRO.** I think the city should combat delinquency through any means that seem workable.

**Q. 7. What connection, if any, do you have with Amigoland?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** Neither I nor my family has any connection whatsoever.

**SAENZ.** Neither my family or I have any connections, financial or otherwise, with Amigoland.

**BESTEIRO.** I have no connection with Amigoland.

**A. 8. What do you feel is the place of Amigoland in the future growth of Brownsville?**

**A. GRIFFEY.** I feel that Amigoland will play a prominent part in the growth of our City and will become a tremendous asset once developed.

**SAENZ.** Amigoland is a private enterprise just like any other business that may develop in Brownsville.

**BESTEIRO.** If Amigoland materializes, it will be another source of new jobs and it will create more revenue for this area. I am very much opposed to using government or city tax funds to support any part of Amigoland.

## All Post I For Industry

**Q. 1. What will your first priorities be if you are elected?**

**A. VELA.** First priorities must be indispensable functions such as police protection, fire protection, streets, sanitation, public utilities, etc., and necessarily, the city employees. Then we must make exhaustive efforts to continue creating a community where our citizens will feel economically and morally secure, providing jobs, opportunities and services.

**ENGLISH.** The first priority should be to determine what is covered by "having project number 7," for which the city has allocated \$100,000 in the recent budget. But, between now and November 2, some crisis may arise which would shift priorities. Until I could study the financial situation we would inherit (in the event of our election.) I would hesitate to establish a priority.

**LEAL.** Attraction of industry.

**Q. 2. Do you feel that city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem in Brownsville?**

**A. VELA.** Yes, directly. The City has been and should be continuously instrumental in bringing industrial development for the creation of jobs.

**ENGLISH.** Yes, by all means. Industries which would not create pollution problems could be located here in Brownsville and thus create many jobs for our citizens. Also, we need to look at the industry already established here to see if any of these could possibly be expanded.

**LEAL.** Yes.

**Q. 3. Do you feel that the city commission's annual commitment to the zoo is appropriate, considering the city's financial condition?**

**A. VELA.** Yes, the Zoo is more than economically good for Brownsville. I feel it offers recreational and educational value to the community.

**ENGLISH.** The Zoo is a fine addition to our city and it is possible that it may eventually grow to pay its own way.

**LEAL.** At the moment, it is difficult to say because we are unable to predict the income which the Zoo will bring to our city.

**Q. 4. Do you feel that families of four who earn up to \$5,000 a year should qualify for health care in Brownsville?**

**VELA.** On an individual case basis, perhaps, yes.

**ENGLISH.** A look at the average annual wage for our city would indicate that a family of four which has an income of \$5,000 would be considered affluent! At the moment, the monthly base pay for many city employees is \$2,500 or \$3,000 annually and many people earn even less. How do you think these people would feel if health care was denied to them because the facilities were loaded (with families having a larger income)?

**LEAL.** I believe that \$5,000 yearly salary is adequate to take care of family necessities.

**Q. 5. Should more money be allotted to the City County Clinic from the city budget?**

**VELA.** No citizen of Brownsville should be deprived of medical attention because of finances, and I would certainly favor an additional allotment to the clinic, if it were necessary.

**ENGLISH.** I would like to see the clinic budget before I make any statement here.

**LEAL.** If it is needed, I am in favor of it.

**Q. 6. Do you feel that city government should combat**

juvenile delinquency in Brownsville through the Esperanza Home for Boys?

**A. VELA.** As President of the Board of Directors of the Esperanza Home, my answer to this question is absolutely yes.

**ENGLISH.** Are we overlooking some facilities already established here that could serve the young men and boys of our city? I have in mind our Boys Club. Would we be duplicating and dividing, thus raising costs and lowering efficiency?

**LEAL.** Yes, I believe that the Esperanza Ranch will an asset to our society.

**Q. 7. What connection, if any, do you have with Amigoland?**

**A. VELA.** None.

**ENGLISH.** None.

**LEAL.** None.

**Q. 8. What do you feel is the place of Amigoland in the future growth of Brownsville?**

**A. VELA.** Any industrial development that will create jobs and opportunities is very good for Brownsville. Amigoland does not appear to be an exception of this type of enterprise. I can foresee where, if Amigoland is a success, all residents of Brownsville benefit.

**ENGLISH.** Yes, there is a place for Amigoland in the future growth of our city.

**LEAL.** I believe that it is another private business, which eventually will bring about more business to our community.

## Lapeyre For Aid To Clinic

**Q. 1. What will your first priorities be if you are elected?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** Priorities: 1. Bring city water and sewerage, and accelerate our street program to pave all streets in our city as quickly as possible. 2. Provide more and better jobs. 3. Move ahead the P.U.B. and Navigation District to bring to completion the desalinization and power plant which will insure our future growth.

**SALAS.** Since I have personally visited with the people of the Southmost area and have seen the atrocious conditions of this area, I know that this neighborhood requires urgent help. No citizen living within the city limits should be without drinking water, which these people do not have, notwithstanding the fact that it also presents a health hazard since no facilities for taking bath or for washing clothes exist.

**Q. 2. Do you feel that city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem in Brownsville?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** We are doing this by attracting industry. Also, we are cooperating with federal and state programs to assist in solving these problems.

**SALAS.** Yes. Mainly through encouragement and in a business-like manner in negotiating with industrial companies that want to operate their businesses in our area. There are probably other ways which we'll endeavor to study, once we are elected.

**Q. 3. Do you feel that the city commission's annual commitment to the Zoo is appropriate, considering the City's financial condition?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** The Zoo is a tremendous asset to our citizens, attracts many to our city. When you take all things into consideration - i.e., jobs, sales tax revenues, I feel our commitment is justified.

**SALAS.** Much study should be given to this annual commitment to the zoo. I could answer this more professionally and with more meaning, after a study of the city books are made.

**Q. 4. Do you feel that families**

of 4 who earn up to \$5,000 a year should qualify for health care in Brownsville?

**A. LAPEYRE.** These qualifications must be revised periodically.

**SALAS.** Conferences with qualified people should be very much in order, and a complete unbiased study should be made. Qualifications should be reevaluated periodically, since living conditions continue to go up.

**Q. 5. Should more money be allotted to the City County Clinic from the city budget?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** Yes. Our city should also strive to interest its citizens in the needs of the poor of our community.

**SALAS.** The conditions of the city budget should be considered.

**Q. 6. Do you feel that city government should combat juvenile delinquency in Brownsville through the Esperanza Home for Boys?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** I feel the city should contribute whatever necessary to support the program.

**SALAS.** Let's work towards preventing this delinquency. Then we wouldn't have to worry about counseling delinquents. As delinquency is minimized, then the City should concentrate on preventing delinquency.

**Q. 7. What connection, if any, do you have with Amigoland?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** I am a stockholder and an advisory member of its board. I invested in Amigoland because I felt its objectives were sound and it would contribute to our economy by providing more jobs and help Brownsville compete for the tourist business in Texas.

**SALAS.** I have no connections with Amigoland.

**Q. 8. What do you feel is the place of Amigoland in the future growth of Brownsville?**

**A. LAPEYRE.** Amigoland will do much to help Brownsville become the No. 1 tourist city in the state. Amigoland has not cost our city a cent, but instead has donated a marvelous boulevard, and will provide many taxable assets for the city.

**SALAS.** Amigoland has a place in the future growth of Brownsville. To the free enterpriser, my full support will be given. Just see that it is conducted as a free enterprise. Bring out the facts to the citizens of Brownsville and explain exactly: is this an amusement center plan, or is this in reality a large shopping mall, in which streets have already been directed to lead into the Amigoland area before it is a reality, and without much thought, to the fine businesses and businessmen of downtown area! See PAGE 4

**VOTING PRECINCT**

**PRCT. NO. .... PLACE**

**1 VICTORIA WARD**

**SCHOOL**

**2801 E. 13**

**6 WEBB ELEMENTARY**

**SCHOOL**

**1351 E. 10th**

**7 CENTRAL FIRE**

**STATION**

**1000 E. Adams**

**8 RESACA SCHOOL**

**901 E. Filmore**

**9 ANNIE PUTEGNAT**

**SCHOOL**

**730 E. 9**

**10 CROMACK SCHOOL**

**3000 Southmost Rd.**

**11 LUCILLE SKINNER**

**SCHOOL**

**411 W. St. Charles**

**12 RUSSELL ELEMENTARY**

**SCHOOL**

**800 Lakeside Blvd.**

**13 CLEARWATER SCHOOL**

**610 Palm Blvd.**

**15 EBONY HEIGHTS**

**SCHOOL**

**Stanford Av.**

**37 CANALES SCHOOL**

**1811 E. 18**

**38 SHARP ELEMENTARY**

**SCHOOL**

**1439 Palm Blvd.**



# Mills Supports Zoo

**Q. 1. What will your first priorities be if you are elected?**

**A. CUMMINS.** The first obligation to city government is to manage its affairs in a business-like manner, while giving its citizens the maximum services possible for their tax dollar.

**MILLS.** First, would be to increase efficiency in all departments in the methods of spending and purchasing.

**Q. 2. Do you feel that city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem in Brownsville?**

**A. CUMMINS.** Definitely. This can best be accomplished by creating an atmosphere of cooperation with all levels of government and public service.

**MILLS.** Yes.

**Q. 3. Do you feel that the city commission's annual commitment to the Zoo is appropriate, considering the city's financial condition?**

**A. CUMMINS.** Yes. I am convinced that a favorable return on our investment will be reflected in our sales tax and increased property evaluations.

**MILLS.** We have the zoo and I think it will be beneficial to the city and we need to back the zoo.

**Q. 4. Should families of 4 who earn up to \$5,000 a year, qualify for health care in Brownsville?**

**A. CUMMINS.** Health care in any community depends upon the funds available. We would all like to see more people get proper health care, but we will have to have new sources of revenue for this to become a reality.

**MILLS.** I think they should qualify but there are not enough funds to cover more people now.

**Q. 5. Should more money be allotted to the City County Clinic?**

**A. CUMMINS.** A commitment of \$156,000.00 has been made for the new clinic. This is a major breakthrough in health care for Brownsville.

**MILLS.** Not at the present, due to the lack of available funds.

**Q. 6. Do you feel that city government should combat juvenile delinquency in Brownsville through the Esperanza Home for Boys?**

**A. CUMMINS.** Yes.

**MILLS.** Yes. **Q. 7. What connection, if any, do you have with Amigoland?**

**A. CUMMINS.** My only connection with Amigoland is that I view it as a private businessman as more people

come to our area to spend money.

**MILLS.** None whatsoever.

**Q. 8. What do you feel is the place of Amigoland in the future growth of Brownsville?**

**A. CUMMINS.** This project has the potential to create thousands of new jobs for our people. I would also like to see Amigoland annexed and put on our tax rolls.

**MILLS.** It is outside the city limits and therefore out of the city's jurisdiction at this time. It should reimburse the city for any services received from the city.

## Manzano Favors Amigoland

**Q. 1. What will your first priorities be if you are elected?**

**A. MANZANO.** It is important and urgent to give services to all areas of our city. Bringing new industries to Brownsville so that our people can find employment is very important. Better recreational facilities for our youth (parks, playgrounds, swimming pools) rates high in my list of priorities.

**SAMANO.**

Relieve downtown traffic congestion. The second is to bring sewer and water lines to the citizens of the Southmost area.

**Q. 2. Do you feel that city government has a responsibility to help solve the unemployment problem in Brownsville?**

**A. MANZANO.** It is definitely the City Fathers' responsibility to do everything in their power to maintain employment opportunities for all their people.

**SAMANO.** Yes, Try to bring more diversified industries to our areas to try to provide jobs for our citizens. The City should have drives among all business to try to find jobs for our citizens.

**Q. 3. Do you feel that the city commission's annual commitment to the Zoo is appropriate, considering the city's financial condition?**

**A. MANZANO.** The independent audit shows in black and white that the city's present financial condition has never been better! We feel that our citizens can and will help to meet the obligation involved in maintaining a world-owned zoo.

**SAMANO.** The zoo has been in operation for at least

a year, I will be in a better position to know what the City's annual commitment to the Zoo should be.

**Q. 4. Do you feel that families of 4 who earn up to \$5,000 a year should qualify for health care in Brownsville?**

**A. MANZANO.** Health care to our citizens should be available to all who really need it.

**SAMANO.** Health care is a big problem for people with low incomes. These are problems to big for the City to undertake. These are problems that have to be worked together, and in harmony, with the county, the state, and the Federal Government.

**Q. 5. Should more money be allotted to the City County Clinic from the city budget?**

**A. MANZANO.** Yes, any time that new or better services are obtained, it will mean that more money has to be allotted.

**SAMANO.** A committee appointed by the City Fathers should find out what the money needs are for the Clinic and if more money should be allocated.

**Q. 6. Do you feel that city government should combat juvenile delinquency in Brownsville through the Esperanza Home for Boys?**

**A. MANZANO.** The Esperanza Home for Boys would be an excellent investment for our city.

**SAMANO.** The Esperanza Home for Boys is a wonderful project. The City Administration should do all in its power to curb crime and juvenile delinquency.

**Q. 7. What connection, if any, do you have with Amigoland?**

**A. MANZANO.** I have no connection with Amigoland financially speaking.

**SAMANO.** I do not have, nor does any member of my family have, any connection with Amigoland.

**Q. 8. What do you feel is the place of Amigoland in the future growth of Brownsville?**

**A. MANZANO.** The Texas Employment Commission has announced that Amigoland will hire some 4,000 youths during the summers, and from 700 to 800 during the remainder of the year. Amigoland will add over \$25,000,000 to our tax rolls. With our tremendous need for more tax dollars, I would welcome Amigoland or any other plant or venture that would benefit every one of our citizens.

**SAMANO.** We must remember that Amigoland is outside the city limits of Brownsville. It has not shown any signs of development except streets and lights. It is a real-estate promotion and they talk about a big shopping mall. Nothing is being said about any amusement areas. All the talk is about getting merchants to move out there. We will have to wait and see how it can help Brownsville.

**Upcoming Events**

October 29—Senators' Ball, Student Center, 8-midnight.

November 2—Concert, John Raimo, pianist.

November 12—Film series, "Ballad of a Soldier"—LCR, 1, 4, 7 p.m.

November 16—Speaker series, John Holt—Stillman Hall, 11 a.m.

December 3—Film series, "Wild Strawberries"—LCR.

December 10—Film series, "The Apartment"—LCR.

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